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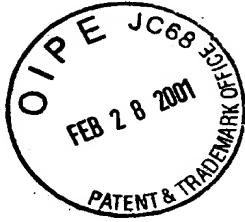
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REPLY TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Reply is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on January 30, 2001, for the instant application. It is filed on or before its current due date of March 1, 2001. In response to the Office Action, consideration of the following remarks is requested:

REMARKS

Claims 1-51 are currently pending in the instant application.

Requirement for Restriction/Election

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121, the claims of the instant application were restricted into the following seven groups: